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BASKET BALL OUTLOOK VERY GOOD WITH 1913-14 QUINT AS NUCLEUS

Practice Begun Last Week. Good Schedule
Announced. First Game December 11th

Basket Ball is now in the foreground. A great deal of interest is being shown in the game this year and the outlook is most promising. Practice was begun last week with a large squad and Captain Bertschey promises to have a good quint in shape for the first game on the 11th.

All of last year's team, Bertschey Gayle, Jones, Zehmer and Zion are again on the floor; besides these, last year's scrubs are represented by Williams, Rothwell and Stone; from the Academy come Geddy, Carr, Lane, and Neblett; and among the new men Wyatt and Parker are showing up especially well. All these men have had considerable experience, and with good coaching there is every reason to expect a high class team this winter.

Manager "Dick" Gayle announces the following schedule:

December 11, Newport News Y. M. C. A. in Williamsburg.

December 19, Howitzers in Richmond.

January 9, Newport News Y. M. C. A. in Newport News.

February 6, Randolph-Macon in Williamsburg (championship)

February 13, Norfolk Y. M. C. A. in Norfolk.

February 16, Richmond College in Richmond (championship)

February 20, Randolph-Macon in Ashland (championship)

February 24, Norfolk Y. M. C. A. in Williamsburg.

February 26, Hampden-Sidney in Farmville (championship)

March 3, Richmond College in Williamsburg (championship)

March 6, Hampton-Sidney in Williamsburg (championship)

C. E. Williams was the guest of his friend Alvin Beale in Richmond from Wednesday to Sunday.

Clarence Jennings, the popular president of the senior class, business manager of the Magazine, and president of the Y. M. C. A. etc., has returned to college after a weeks stay in Norfolk. Jennings was best man at a wedding and thinks it would be still more romantic to be the groom.

ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF ALPHA CHAPTER OF THE PHI BETA KAPPA

Dr. C. Alphonzo Smith Orator of Occasion. Distinguished Scholars and Educators Present

Saturday night last the College Chapel was the scene of the annual celebration of the Phi Beta Kappa Fraternity. The exercises opened with a short prayer by the Rev. Upton B. Thomas, who was followed by R. M. Hughes, Esq., President of the William and Mary (Alpha) Chapter of the Fraternity. Mr. Hughes presented Dr. C. Alphonzo Smith of the University of Virginia, the speaker of the evening.

Dr. Smith's subject was the "Ballad," which he termed the "little bible of the illiterate." His speech was very informal, but most interesting and instructive, and was thoroughly enjoyed by the audience. His recitations of some of the more famous ballads were very much appreciated. The speaker closed with a plea for the cultivation of a sense for the ballad.

After the initiation of the new men, a reception was held in the College library, closing the celebration in a most delightful manner.

Among the noted visitors present were: Frank G. Carpenter, Mrs. Carpenter, and Miss Carpenter, Major John C. Hemphill, Judge Beverly T. Crump, J. Gordon Bohannon, Jackson Davis, C. M. Chichester, Robt. E. Henley, W. H. White, Dr. Geo. E. Phenix, and Richard T. Wilson.

The initiates were: Dr. J. G. DeRoulhack Hamilton, Samuel A. Anderson, Dr. Paul W. Howle, Wm. Kavanaugh Doty, Robert Bruce Jackson, Edward Roane Willcox, William T. Hodges, Rev. Upton Beale Thomas, Dr. Geo. E. Booker, Capt. John A. Coke, Frederick Deane Goodwin and Channing Moore Hall.

WILLIAM AND MARY MEN HONORED

At a meeting of the Association of Division Superintendents of Virginia last Friday in Richmond, Mr. J. N. Hillman of Wise County, an alumnus of the college, was elected President, and Mr. H. C. Hunt of Portsmouth, also a William and Mary alumnus, was elected Secretary.

Have you seen Bill Brent's new hat?

THANKSGIVING GERMAN SMALL BUT BRILLIANT SOCIAL AFFAIR

Terpsichore Triumphs in College Gymnasium in Spite of Inclement Weather

Terpsichore still holds sway, and no better evidence of her popularity can be cited than the Thanksgiving German at William and Mary. The rains came and the winds blew, but the old gymnasium on the night of Friday, the 5th of December, was never the scene of a more determined-to-have-a-good-time crowd, however more brilliant, or more crowded it may have been on previous occasions. The music was fine, and the crowd simply went wild whenever the orchestra struck up "It's a Long Way to Tipperary" or "In the Valley of the Moon."

The occasion was altogether a happy one; the crowd just the right size; just about the right number of visiting girls; and a number of returning alumni from a distance.

Besides, of course, the local alumni, who are always a large part of the dance, there were present R. E. Henley, of Richmond; Ensign J. L. Hall, Jr., U. S. N., Tyler Ellis, Shawsville, Va., and several others.

One step "variations" and the "Fox Trot" were the order of the day, and couples vied in attempting every thing new.

At half past eleven, a delicious ice course was served, and the dancing then resumed with reawakened enthusiasm and spirit.

Among the couples noted were:

Miss Lucille Foster and Jack Tolson; Miss Marie Alvey and H. W. Thorpe; Mrs. Emily Lane and James Lane; Miss Josephine Phelps and P. P. Taylor; Miss Herring, of Louisa and A. P. Robertson; Miss Carrie Cole Lane and Vernon Geddy; Miss Murrell, of Toano, and W. Hankins; Miss Martha Spencer and A. P. Tucker; Miss Dorothy Booker, of Hampton, and Henry Moncure; Miss Elizabeth Hudgins, of Hampton, and George Lane; Miss Sadie Harrison and Brent Wells; Miss Emily Hall and John Smith; Miss Carra Garrett and Paul Elcan; Miss May Arnold and W. F. Shackelford; Miss Geddy and James Early; Miss Laura Spencer and Games; Miss Virginia Peachy and Lewis Jones; Miss Jetty Thorpe and P. L. Witchley; Miss Sue Hundley and Franklin Barnes; Miss Mary

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A. P. V. A. PRESENTS COLLEGE WITH HANDSOME "PRIORITIES" TABLET

Ladies of Colonial Capital Branch Place Splendid Marble Slab in Wren Building

Immediately after the Phi Beta Kappa celebration on Saturday night, the audience filed out of the Chapel into the hall of the Wren Building to witness the unveiling of a Tablet setting forth the William and Mary "Priorities."

On behalf of the Colonial Capital Branch of the Association for the Preservation of Virginia Antiquities, the donors, Capt. John A. Coke, of Richmond formally presented the Tablet to the College in a very fitting speech, at the conclusion of which the handsome white marble slab was unveiled by the four ribbon girls, Misses Carra Garrett, Emily Hall, Carrie Cole Lane, and Gladys Bennett. Dr. Tyler then accepted the splendid gift in the name of the College and R. M. Hughes, Esq., followed with a few words of appreciation from the Board of Visitors. The inscription reads:

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First and only American College to receive a Coat-of-Arms from the Heralds' College, 1694.

First College in the United States to have a full Faculty, consisting of a President, six Professors, usher, and writing master, 1729.

First College to confer medallion prizes: the gold medals donated by Lord Botetourt in 1771.

First College to establish an inter-collegiate fraternity, the Phi Beta Kappa, December 5, 1776.

First College to have the Elective System of study, 1779.

First College to have the Honor System, 1779.

First College to become a University, 1779.

First College to have a school of Modern Languages, 1779.

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THE COLONIAL ECHO

The biggest achievement of our students each year is the "Colonial Echo." This book has attained a standard far above that of the year-book of any other school of our size in the country; in fact, it stands on a par with the best product of the large colleges and universities.

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But this more or less selfish reason should not be the only one to cause you to take an Annual. It is the students' book more than any other; you are a student, and therefore it is your duty not only to lend every financial aid possible, but also to help in every other way to make the 1915 Echo even better than it has been in the past.

WILLIAM AND MARY ALUMNI BANQUET

On Thursday evening of Thanksgiving week the William and Mary Alumni Association held its annual banquet at Murphy's Hotel in Richmond. It was an inspiring occasion where alumni from all sections of the State had come together to talk about the good of the old College. Mr. J. B. Terrell of the State Department of Public Instruction acted as toastmaster. Mr. C. B. Bowry Division Superintendent of Amelia and Notaway counties responded to the toast "The William and Mary of yesterday," Dr. Jno. W. Ritchie of the College to "The William and Mary of To-day," and Mr. Jackson Davis of the Department of Cooperative Education and a member of the Board of Visitors of the College to "The William and Mary of Tomorrow." Mr. Davis especially emphasized the importance of the William and Mary Endowment Plan as a determining factor of the future of the College. He was followed by Mr. Dudley Cowles of D. C. Heath and Co., who added much of interest along the same line. After this Mr. J. Foster Barnes principal of Cardwell High School responded to the toast "A Declamation" and gave some most interesting selections to the great enjoyment of all present. Then Mr. Barnes led in singing "Alma Mater" after which Mr. A. W. James, Teacher of History in John Marshall High School, led the "siren yell." This was the sign of departure and with memories of oysters and turkey and fond recollections of the old College, each one went his way.

ACADEMY BASKET BALL PRACTICE

The Academy basket ball practice began in the college Gymnasium Monday night with about twenty-five men on the floor. Due to the fact that the college men occupy the floor in the afternoon, the Academy men practice from ten to eleven at night. Capt. Spencer is the only monogram man from last year, but the material is very promising. Prof. Hubbard is coaching the bunch and it is probable that he will put forth a winning team. Mgt. Taylor has not completed his schedule but has arranged a few games to be played both at home and away. The first game will be played here with Portsmouth High School December 11.

I. W. Robertson had as his guest Saturday night and Sunday his sister Miss Mary Robertson who is a grade teacher in the public schools of Portsmouth Virginia.

K. A. Agee, former Editor-in-Chief of The Flat Hat, was visiting friends in the city during Thanksgiving. Mr. Agee is principal of the grammar school in Portsmouth, Va.

Noan Shockley, principal of Stuart High School, was on the campus Saturday and Sunday.

CRAZY QUILT PATCHES

(BY JOOZY KORR)

WHY IS A LECTURE?

It was the morning after the Thanksgiving german. At 7 o'clock the pillows and sheets were enjoying the warmth of the slumbering form of Clarence Percy Pickle, society youth. Altho Henry Billups duly pulled the bell rope the bell did not ring, for sound is not sound when no ear hear-eth. Seconds passed, minutes eventually followed. Percy continued serenely driving pigs and buzzing wood, now and then swallowing a lungful of respiratory material with an energetic vibration of his soft palate. 7:45, 7:50 came. Father Time respecteth no man, Morpheus little more. The odor of coffee and burnt biscuits diffused thruout the dining hall, wafted in from the kitchen by the swinging doors. Bipeds stood in pairs and tetrads on the steps. Forebodings were uppermost in the minds of everyone—forebodings of breakfast. 7:55, 7:57, 7:59. Another minute and the doors would be flung open. 8 o'clock. Again the bell rope was pulled and

the bell rang. Long and loud it rang calling to Percy Pickle to rise, go forth and partake of his morning sustenance. But in vain. In the Pickle room yet no ear heard; Morpheus yielded not. 8:15 came; again the soul of the bell hovered o'er the sleeper calling upon him to awake and join in the march of events. At last! Morpheus fled. Slowly the tones of the bell penetrated Percy's inner ear. He rose on his elbow, lookt at his Big Ben, jumpt to the floor, feverishly scrambled into his vestments and (it being too late to take breakfast) fled to Dr. Hall's lecture room in time to drink (since his stomach was empty) from the fountain of knowledge therein. But alas! Poor Pickle again encountered his late visitant, Morpheus, and closed his eyelids over sweet visions. "What does Mr. Lounsbury say about the double negative, Mr. Pickle? (No response) Pickle, where's Pickle? Yeh, yeh, Pickle, wake up and answer my questions. Yeh, yeh, brother I'll give you a D this month; any man that can't keep awake in my class ought to have D—for drowsy. My, my! think of a man going to sleep while I'm lecturing! Dancing, bretheren, that's it. His only books are women's looks and folly's all they teach him."

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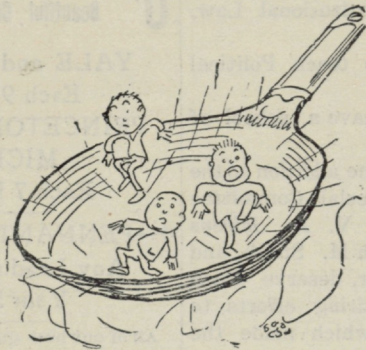
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Among the chaperons were: Mrs. Judge Tyler, Miss Annie Galt, Mrs. F. P. Ladd, Mrs. Luck Mrs. N. L. Henley, and others.

COMMUNICATION

In recent years the students and Faculty have prided themselves on the fact that William and Mary has made many modern improvements and in doing so has placed herself side by side with the more progressive institutions of learning. All around us we see indications that the college is imbibing a truly progressive spirit. But there are still some things which need to be improved upon.

Three years ago it was the custom here that in each month of the college year some professor gave a public lecture in which he acquainted the students and the public with some particular phase of his work. It will here be called that these lectures were a great source of enjoyment and pleasure to all who had the privilege of hearing them. For some reason, it seems that nobody knows just why, these lectures were discontinued. We often hear expressions from the students and professors in favor of such a plan again, but still no action has been taken. Public lectures are given to the students of other colleges and are one of the indications of progress at those schools. In this respect we are forced to admit that instead of making progress we have gone backward. The writer sees no reason why the students should not be given the privilege of these lectures again. If we desire to have in evidence all the signs of progress we cannot afford to be without them.

Student

COACH DRAPER MARRIED

Dr. D. W. Draper, the popular College Physician and Director of Athletics, was married to Miss Maud Frantz at the bride's home in Lancaster, Pa., on Wednesday, Nov. 25th.

During Dr. Draper's two year's here, he has made many friends both in college and in town. All these friends were interested to hear of the nuptials and cordially invited the Coach and his charming and accomplished bride to Williamsburg last week, when, they took up their residence on Scotland Road.

E. L. Mattox spent his Thanksgiving holidays at the home of G. Pullen near Yorktown.

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The Tablet is a fine addition to the old Hall and the Special Committee of C. C. B., A. P. V. A., Misses Estelle Smith, Edith M. Smith, and Mrs. Annie T. Tyler, deserve much credit for their untiring efforts to collect the money which made the gift possible. The tablet cost \$215.00 which amount was collected by these ladies from the Alumni and friends of the College during the past year. Mr. Couper of the Couper Marble Works also deserves credit for his painstaking care in the erection of the Tablet.

Robt Tomlinson is trying out the voices of a number of Academy men, and as the material promises very well, he hopes to turn out a good quartet in a short time. This is the Academy's first venture in this field and Mr. Tomlinson deserves the support of every man in the Academy.

The Academy Senior Class, consisting of thirty members, met in the College chapel Thursday evening and elected the following officers: President, C. E. Williams; vice-president, J. G. Hudson; secretary, W. D. Garland; treasurer, S. L. Nunally; historian, E. Tucker. A committee of three was appointed to select a pin design.

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